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## What Is Claimed Is:

1. A weight apparatus to be used with a flexible fishing lure for attachment to a hook attached to a fishing line, comprising:

a weight member defining a throughbore, wherein the weight member tapers to a first end and is flattened on a second end; and

means secured to the second end of the weight member for attaching the weight member to the lure and for receiving the fishing line, said means consisting of a coil, whereby the fishing line is receivable in the throughbore and the coil for attachment to the hook.

- 2. The weight apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the coil is a wire coil.
- 3. The weight apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the second end has a recessed groove coaxial with the throughbore, said coil being glued within said groove.
- 4. The weight apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the weight member comprises tungsten.
- 5. The weight apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising a tube extending through the throughbore and being flush with the end of the throughbore at the second end.
  - 6. The weight apparatus of claim 1, wherein the weight member is bullet shaped.
- 7. A method of manufacturing a weight apparatus to be used with a flexible fishing lure, comprising:

forming a throughbore in a weight member with a tapered first end and a flattened second end; and

securing to the second end of the weight member means for attaching the weight member to the lure and for receiving the fishing line, said means consisting of a coil.

- 8. The method according to claim 7, further comprising forming a recessed groove in the second end coaxial with the throughbore, wherein said securing step includes gluing the coil into the groove.
- 9. The method according to claim 7, further comprising securing a tube member in the throughbore flush with the end of the throughbore at the second end.
  - 10. The method according to claim 6, wherein the weight member is bullet shaped.
- 11. A weight apparatus to be used with a flexible fishing lure for attachment to a hook attached to a fishing line, comprising:

a weight member defining a throughbore, wherein the weight member tapers to a first end and is flattened on a second end; and

a coil secured to the second end of the weight member for attaching the weight member to the lure and for receiving the fishing line, wherein the fishing line extends through and contacts the coil and extends through the throughbore..